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To Whom It May Concern:

I am quite pleased the case with Microsoft has been settled. In my opinion it should never have been brought to begin with. Microsoft's competitors in the marketplace were simply using government intervention as an attempt to block Microsoft's superior marketing skills and products. I am neither connected with Microsoft nor am I connected with any other software or hardware company. I use Microsoft operating system software on PC's as well as Apple operating system software on their machines. I am simply a home consumer who feels this whole episode is simply another example of politically motivated government waste excess. As a consumer I feel the whole prosecution of the government case against Microsoft has been a huge waste of time and money. The consumer has never had more inexpensive choices for home computing than under the current/previous market environment. Please go away and leave these people alone to innovate and develop new useful products for consumers! If you want to do something really useful for me as a consumer you should investigate why I can't get connected to the internet at high speeds because the last two miles of wire to my house is under monopoly control by Ameritech/SBC. This behemoth is clearly blocking other companies from selling me true high-speed DSL access. This is corruption on a huge scale!

Regards,

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